


Compensatory Mitigation Workgroup





Compensatory Mitigation Workgroup

- Identified at November 1999 national program meeting
 - One of two key Wetlands Program areas of emphasis
 - Other is nationwide wetlands monitoring and assessment
 - Meeting since April 2000
- 



Workgroup Mission Statement


EPA's goal is to improve the success rate and quality of compensatory mitigation projects nationally

- Identify current efforts
- Initiate additional efforts
- Better coordination



Compensatory Mitigation Workgroup

Identify Current Efforts

- Ongoing activities matrix
 - Region 4 compensatory mitigation policy
 - Region 6 mitigation circuit rider program
 - GAO review of civil works mitigation projects
 - NAS compensatory mitigation study
- 

NAS Compensatory Mitigation Study

- Initiated January 2000
- Sponsored by EPA grant
- EPA established FIAG with COE, FWS, NRCS and NMFS
- Comprehensively studying effectiveness of compensatory mitigation nationwide
- Scheduled completion May 2001



Compensatory Mitigation Workgroup

Initiate Additional Efforts

- Preparing for release of the NAS study
- Administrative Subworkgroup
- Technical Subworkgroup



Compensatory Mitigation Workgroup

Better Coordination

- With Monitoring Workgroup
- With Interagency Partners
- Among EPA Regions

